

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: November 2-3, 2005

Reference No.: 2.3b.(1)
Action Item

From: CINDY McKIM
Chief Financial Officer

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Chief
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Subject: **NEW PUBLIC ROAD CONNECTION, 11-SD-15 KP M43.9 (PM M27.3)
and KP R49.8 (PM R31.0)
Resolution S-725**

RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the attached Resolution S-725. The resolution approves new public road connections to State Route 15 in the City of Escondido, in the County of San Diego. Pursuant to Section 100.2 of the Streets and Highways Code, no local road shall be connected with any freeway until the Commission adopts a resolution consenting thereto.

The Project Report was approved on February 13, 2003. An Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was approved on March 27, 2003 in compliance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Recommended by: _____
RICHARD LAND
Chief Engineer

Background

This section of Interstate 15 (I-15) was adopted as a Freeway in 1961. It was constructed in the late 1970s and early 1980s. The original Freeway Agreement was executed with the City of Escondido on August 19, 1970 and revised on October 5, 1983. I-15 is an eight-lane to ten-lane freeway. Access to I-15 at Del Lago Boulevard and Hale Avenue has been identified by the City of Escondido to facilitate the implementation of the I-15 Managed Lane Project and is consistent with the region's desire to accommodate "smart growth."

The Department approved a Project Report on February 13, 2003.

Proposal

The project proposes to construct new Direct Access Ramps (DAR), also known as drop ramps, at Del Lago Boulevard and Hale Avenue to I-15 in the City of Escondido.

The cost of construction is \$17,000,000 and will be funded by STIP, SHOPP, TCRP, RSTP, and CMAQ. This project is tentatively scheduled for construction in 2008 to 2010.

Coordination

Advisory and Mandatory Design Exceptions were approved June 11, 2002.

A new Freeway Agreement was signed by the City of Escondido on August 17, 2005, and will be executed by the Department after Commission approval of the new connection.

The City of Escondido has adopted a resolution requesting public road connections to I-15, as described above.

Conclusion

The proposed new public road connection is considered to be in the best interest of the public.

Attachments

Resolution S-725

Vicinity Map

**CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Resolution Authorizing A New Public Road Connection
11-SD-15 KP M43.9 (PM M27.3) and KP R49.8 (PM R31.0)**

Resolution S-725

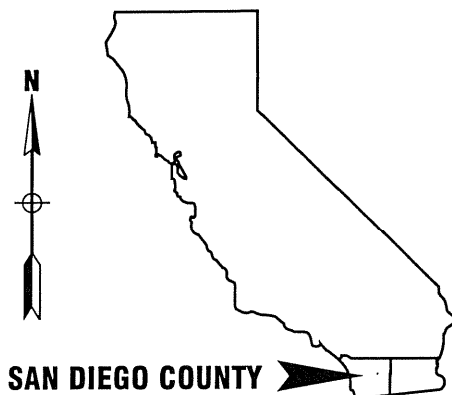
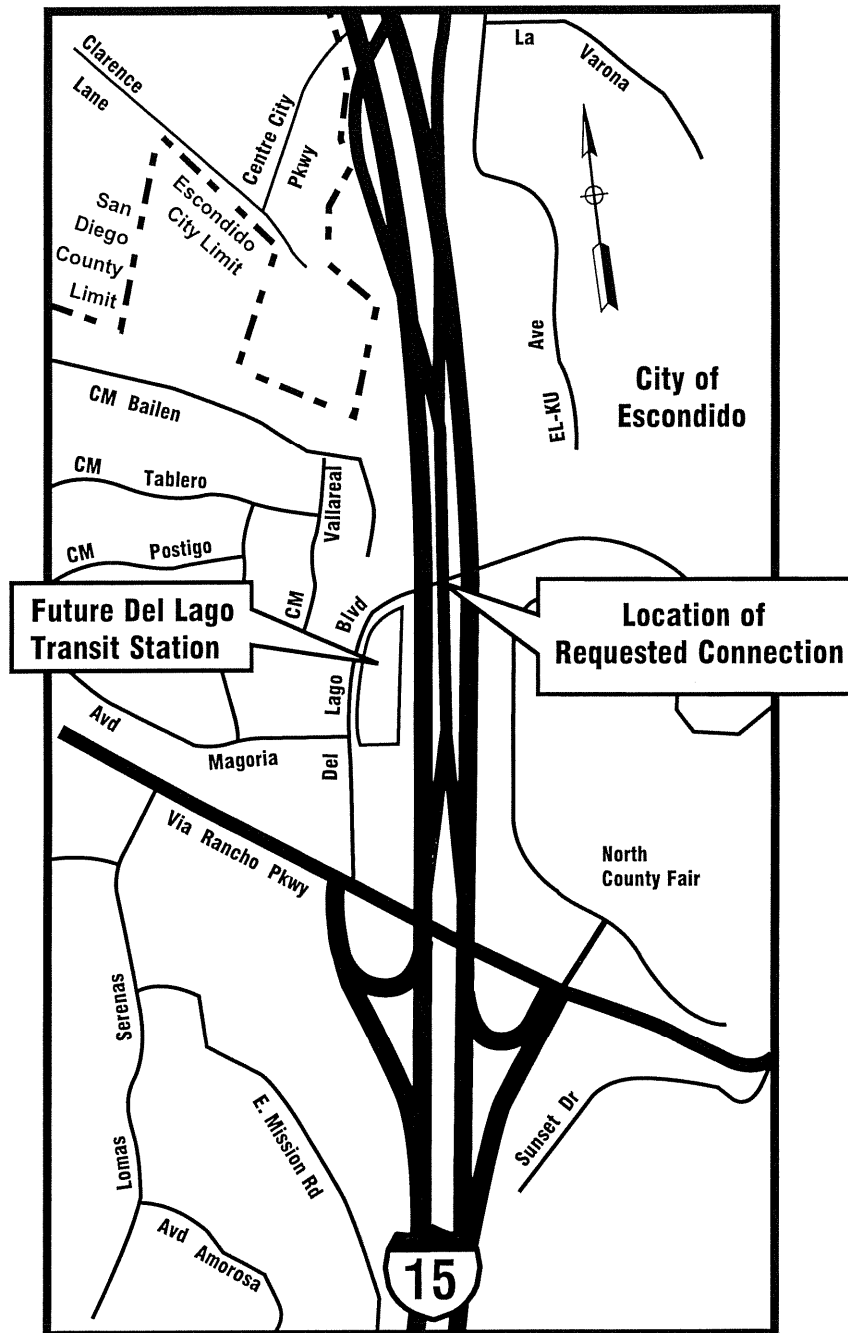
WHEREAS, the City of Escondido has requested approval of new public road connections at Del Lago Boulevard and Hale Avenue to Interstate 15; and

WHEREAS, an Environmental Assessment/Finding of No Significant Impact has been approved in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act and National Environmental Policy Act; and

WHEREAS, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the California Transportation Commission that pursuant to the authority vested in it by law, this Commission does hereby authorize new public road connections to Interstate 15 at Del Lago Boulevard and Hale Avenue, KP M43.9 (PM M27.3) and KP R49.8 (PM R31.0) in the City of Escondido, County of San Diego; and

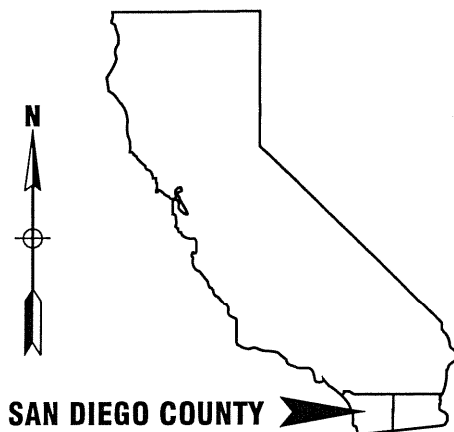
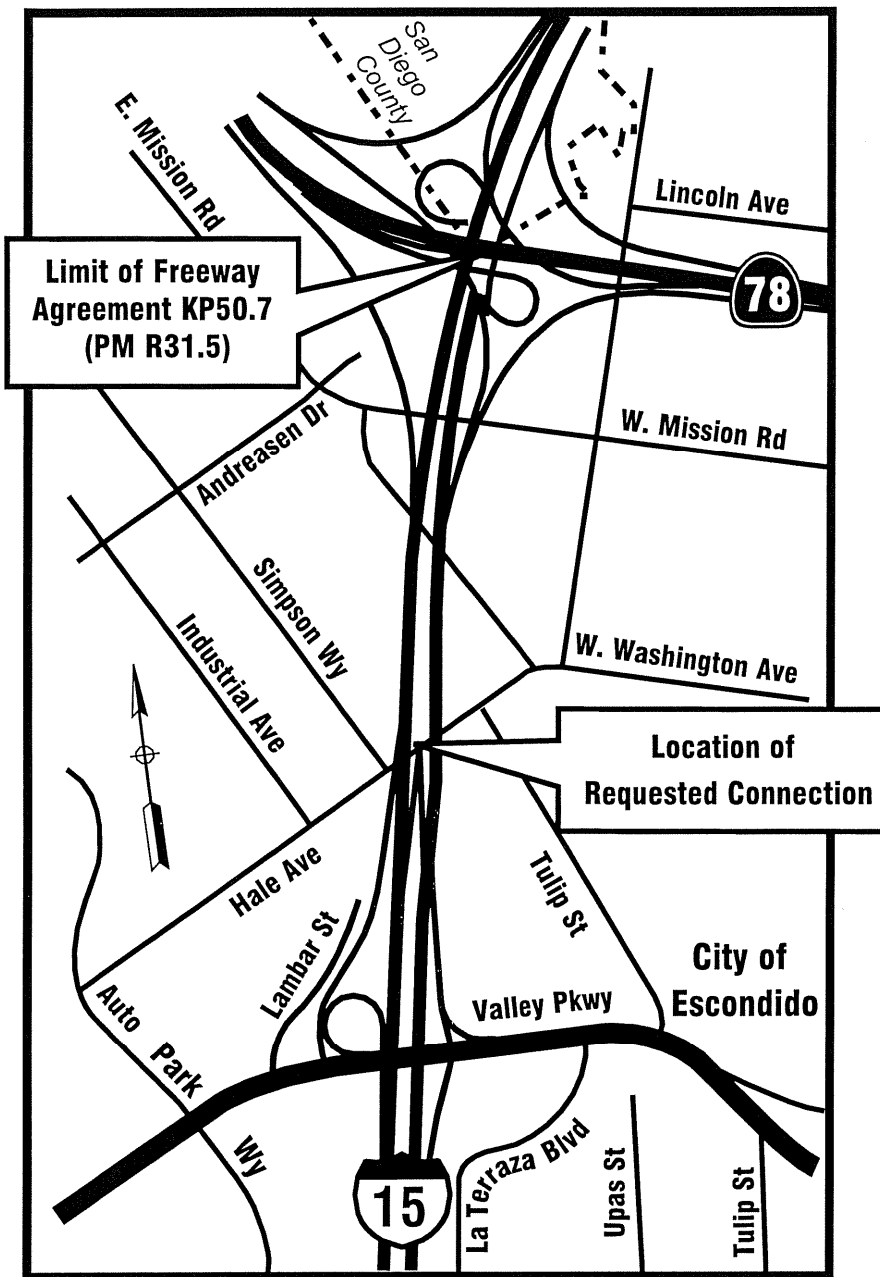
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that cost of construction and right of way shall be borne by others.



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Project Limits
KP M43.0/R50.7
PM M26.7/R31.5



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